

Amendments to the Claims

The following Listing of Claims replaces all prior listings, and versions, of claims in the subject patent application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently amended) Conveyor line for products such as bottles, cans or similar containers, comprising:

at least one guide railing which is adjustable along an adjustment pathway across a direction of conveyance and is operable by at least one actuator drive, the guide railing being adjustable across a longitudinal axis of each of the products;

a plurality of movable stops that are optionally introducible at one or more preset positions in the adjustment pathway of the guide railing to delimit the at least one guide railing and define various railing positions, at least one of the movable stops disposed within a cylinder housing that is disposed at a right angle to the actuator drive_{[[7]]}; and

control means for moving the movable stop in the cylinder housing between a position of readiness outside of the adjustment pathway and a working position inside the adjustment pathway for delimiting the adjustment of the guide railing.

2. (Previously Presented) Conveyor line according to Claim 1, wherein at least two stops are provided.

3. (Canceled)

4. (Canceled)

5. (Previously presented) Conveyor line according to Claim 1, wherein the actuator drive includes one opposing stop operably connected to the guide railing, and which can be brought into contact with the plurality of stops and follows the adjusting movement arranged on one of the guide railing or the actuator drive.

6. (Previously Presented) Conveyor line according to Claim 5, wherein the opposing stop has at least two stop faces facing away from one another as based on the adjustment pathway.

7. (Previously Presented) Conveyor line according to Claim 5, wherein the actuator drive is a linear drive and the preset positions are assigned to the linear drive.

8. (Previously presented) Conveyor line according to Claim 1, wherein the preset positions comprise recesses.

9. (Previously presented) Conveyor line according to Claim 46, wherein the preset positions comprise multiple bores in the stop mount set along the adjustment pathway in the axial direction.

10. (Previously presented) Conveyor line according to Claim 1, wherein the plurality of stops comprise form-fitting plug or screw elements.

11. (Previously presented) Conveyor line according to Claim 1, wherein each of the plurality of stops comprises a pneumatic cylinder that can be operated by the control means.

12. (Previously Presented) Conveyor line according to Claim 46, wherein the stops can be screwed into threaded bores in the stop mount.

13. (Previously presented) Conveyor line according to Claim 9, wherein the stop mount has an axial bore aligned with the cylinder body.

14. (Previously Presented) Conveyor line according to Claim 13, wherein the bore is arranged coaxially with the piston rod and the piston rod passes at least partially through the bore.

15. (Previously Presented) Conveyor line according to Claim 13, wherein the inside diameter of the bore is greater than the outside diameter of the piston rod, thus forming an annular space.

16. (Previously presented) Conveyor line according to Claim 15, wherein the bores for accommodating the stops are assigned to the annular space so that the stops pass through the annular space approximately at a right angle to the longitudinal extent of the annular space when in the position of readiness or the working position.

17. (Previously Presented) Conveyor line according to Claim 46, wherein the stop mount has a centering shoulder which engages in the cylinder body in a form-fitting manner.

18. (Previously Presented) Conveyor line according to Claim 46, wherein the opposing stop is attached to the piston rod and is guided in the interior of the stop mount.

19. (Previously Presented) Conveyor line according to Claim 46, wherein the opposing stop is displaceable with the piston rod over the entire length of the adjustment path in the stop mount.

20. (Previously Presented) Conveyor line according to Claim 1, wherein the adjustable guide railings are arranged so they run opposite one another in pairs and parallel to the direction of conveyance with a distance between the pairs.

21. (Previously Presented) Conveyor line according to Claim 1, wherein the products to be transported have a collar by means of which they are transported suspended on two parallel sliding rails which run with a distance therebetween.

22. (Previously Presented) Conveyor line according to Claim 21, wherein the sliding rails are mounted in such a way that the products are conveyed as suspended items beneath an air guide box.

23. (Currently amended) ~~Conveyor line according to Claim 21,~~ Conveyor line for products such as bottles, cans or similar containers, comprising:

at least one guide railing which is adjustable along an adjustment pathway across a direction of conveyance and is operable by at least one actuator drive;

a plurality of movable stops that are optionally introducible at one or more preset positions in the adjustment pathway of the guide railing to delimit the at least one guide railing and define various railing positions, at least one of the movable stops disposed within a cylinder housing that is disposed at a right angle to the actuator drive; and

control means for moving the movable stop in the cylinder housing between a position of readiness outside of the adjustment pathway and a working position inside the adjustment pathway for delimiting the adjustment of the guide railing, wherein the products to be transported have a collar by means of which they are transported suspended on two parallel sliding rails which run with a distance therebetween, and a nozzle channel running in the direction of conveyance ~~[[has]]~~ having blow nozzles aimed at the products in the direction of conveyance.

24. (Canceled)

25. (Currently amended) An actuator drive for actuating and positioning adjustable guide railings on conveyor lines for products such as bottles, cans or similar containers, the actuator drive comprising:

a stop body defining an adjustment path for at least one of the guide railings, and a plurality of preset positions in the adjustment path; ~~[[and]]~~

a plurality of movable stops which can be arranged in the preset positions and can be moved in the adjustment path of the stop body to delineate the adjustment path, at least one of the movable stops disposed within a cylinder housing that is disposed at a right angle to the stop body~~[[,]]~~; and

control means for moving the movable stop in the cylinder housing between a position of readiness outside of the adjustment path and a working position inside the adjustment path for delimiting the adjustment of the guide railing.

26. (Previously Presented) Actuator drive according to Claim 25, wherein at least two stops are provided.

27. (Canceled)

28. (Canceled)

29. (Previously Presented) Actuator drive according to Claim 25, and at least one opposing stop which can be brought into contact with the stops and which follows the adjusting movement arranged in the adjustment path.

30. (Previously Presented) Actuator drive according to Claim 29, wherein the opposing stop has at least two stop faces facing away from one another, as based on the adjustment path.

31. (Previously Presented) Actuator drive according to Claim 25, wherein the actuator drive is a linear drive formed as a double-acting pneumatic cylinder having a cylinder element which has a cylinder body and a piston rod, and the preset positions are assigned to the pneumatic cylinder and comprise a stop mount which is attached to the cylinder element in the axial direction.

32. (Previously presented) Actuator drive according to Claim 25, wherein the preset positions comprise recesses into which the stops can be inserted in a form-fitting manner.

33. (Previously presented) Actuator drive according to Claim 31, wherein the preset positions comprise multiple bores in the stop mount offset in an axial direction.

34. (Previously presented) Actuator drive according to Claim 25, wherein the stops comprise one of form-fitting screw or plug elements.

35. (Previously presented) Actuator drive according to Claim 25, wherein each of the stops comprises a pneumatic cylinder that can be operated by the control means.

36. (Previously Presented) Actuator drive according to Claim 31, wherein the stops can be screwed into threaded bores in the stop mount.

37. (Previously Presented) Actuator drive according to Claim 31, wherein the stop mount has an axial bore aligned with the cylinder body.

38. (Previously Presented) Actuator drive according to Claim 37, wherein the axial bore is arranged coaxially with the piston rod and with the piston rod passing through the axial bore at least partially.

39. (Previously Presented) Actuator drive according to Claim 37, wherein the inside diameter of the axial bore is greater than the outside diameter of the piston rod and an annular space is formed therebetween.

40. (Previously presented) Actuator drive according to Claim 39, wherein the bores are assigned to the annular space to accommodate the stops such that the stops pass through the annular space approximately perpendicularly to the longitudinal extent thereof when in the position of readiness or the working position.

41. (Previously Presented) Actuator drive according to Claim 31, wherein the stop mount has a centering shoulder which engages in the cylinder head in a form-fitting manner.

42. (Previously Presented) Actuator drive according to Claim 31, and an the opposing stop which is attached to the piston rod and is guided in the interior of the stop mount.

43. (Previously Presented) Actuator drive according to Claim 42, wherein the piston rod is displaceable with the opposing stop over the entire length of the stop mount.

44. (Previously Presented) Conveyor line according to Claim 1, wherein the guide railing is operable so that it is adjustable in height by at least one actuator drive longitudinally to the vertical axis of the products being conveyed, with stops which may optionally be arranged in the adjustment path at multiple preset positions and delineate said path on the vertical adjustment path of the guide railing or the at least one actuator drive and thereby define various railing positions.

45. (Previously Presented) Conveyor line according to Claim 7, wherein the linear drive is a double-acting pneumatic cylinder having a cylinder element which has a cylinder body and a piston rod.

46. (Previously Presented) Conveyor line according to Claim 45, wherein the preset positions assigned to the linear drive comprises a stop mount attached to the cylinder element of the pneumatic cylinder in the axial direction.

47. (Previously Presented) Conveyor line according to Claim 8, wherein the recesses comprise bores into which the stops can be inserted in a form-fitting manner.

48. (Previously Presented) Conveyor line according to Claim 9, wherein the four of the multiple bores in the stop mount comprises at least two rows with an arrangement of bores offset in the axial direction of the stop mount.

49. (Previously Presented) Conveyor line according to Claim 10, wherein the one of form-fitting plug or screw elements comprise pins.

50. (Previously Presented) Conveyor line according to Claim 21, wherein the products to be transported are bottles having a collar.

51. (Previously Presented) Conveyor line according to Claim 32, wherein the recesses are formed as bores.

52. (Previously Presented) Actuator drive according to Claim 33, wherein the form of multiple bores comprises at least two rows with an arrangement of bores that are offset in relation to one another in the axial direction of the stop mount.

53. (Previously Presented) Actuator drive according to Claim 34, wherein the stops are designed as pins.

54. (Previously Presented) Conveyor line according to Claim 1, wherein the actuator drive is a linear drive formed as a double-acting pneumatic cylinder having a cylinder element which has a cylinder body and a piston rod and where the preset positions are assigned to the linear drive and formed as a stop mount attached to the cylinder element of the pneumatic cylinder in the axial direction.